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1. The Brandis (N 52/E 31) airfield was observed between 7:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Four jet planes with swept-back wings, high rudder assembly projecting beyond tail, elevator on upper third of rudder assembly, main landing gear retracting inward, cockpit set shortly aft of nose, silver-gray paint, air intake and air exhaust painted red,

                     were parked south of the eastern section of the runway. Seven planes of the same type were towed from the easternmost hangar by a tractor. Six of the planes remained in front of the hangar and the seventh was pulled to the western hangar. Two biplanes were in front of the central hangar, the contents of which could not be determined. There was no flying. \*

2. A group of soldiers were training in the southwestern corner of the field. Three soldiers were in trailer at the runway near the jet planes. \*\* A tower, with a platform where three soldiers were always seen, <sup>was</sup> near the flight control station on the northern edge of the field. No motor vehicles were observed. Military activity seemed to be very slow.
3. The runway extending in approximately E-W direction was 86 paces wide. The eastern strip of 250 meters was concreted with rectangle slabs, and the remaining runway was dark and probably asphalted. The Polenz-Machern road along the western edge of the field was blocked.

- \*            Comment. The occupation of the field by type 14 jet planes was confirmed by other sources. Most of the jet aircraft were apparently parked in the hangars during the time of observation. According to previous observations at least 30 jet planes are stationed at the field. The aircraft des-

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cription shows that the jet planes are of type 14.

The airfield is occupied by one fighter regiment.

\*\*Comment. The four jet planes at the runway very probably are the tactical formation of alerted planes. The trailer is possibly used as quarters for the pilots of the alerted planes.

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